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## Public hearings Tuesday, October 27, on med spa, wrong-site surgery rules

DES MOINES, IA -- The Iowa Board of Medicine will hold hearings on Tuesday, October 27, 2009, for the public to comment on proposed amendments to two administrative rules concerning the practice of medicine in Iowa.

The hearings will be held in the Board's office at RiverPoint Business Park, Suite C, 400 SW Eighth Street, Des Moines.

At 11 a.m., the public may speak on an amendment to Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 23, "Grounds for Discipline." This amendment is intended to prevent surgery on the wrong patient or at the wrong surgery site, and to prevent unauthorized or unnecessary procedures.

At 11:30 a.m., the public may speak on an amendment to IAC Chapter 13, "Standards of Practice and Principles of Medical Ethics." This amendment establishes the standard of practice for physicians who serve as a medical director at a medical spa.

The public may present written comments on these amendments not later than 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, 2009.

The Board approved the amendments during a regularly scheduled meeting on September 3, 2009.